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T. JACKSON,
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A. G. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, May 19, 1881.

Notices of Firms.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

DURING my Absence from Hongkong, Mr. ROBERT COOKE will act as SECRETARY.

By Order of the Board,
D. GILLIES,
Secretary,

Hongkong, June 13, 1881.

DENS[...] NOTICE.

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Hongkong, July 20, 1881.

Intimations.

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THE Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be Held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on FRIDAY, the 29th Instant, at 4 o'clock p.m.

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By Order of the Directors,

LOUIS HAUSCHILD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, July 8, 1881.

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Freight will be received on board until 2
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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, July 12, 1881. iy30

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THE Undersigned having been appointed
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MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 10, 1881. 10my32

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Hongkong, May 10, 1881. 10my32

To-day's Advertisements.

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STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE.

THE POWAN will commence running
as a NIGHT-BOAT between Hong-
kong and Canton, starting from Hongkong
on SATURDAY (FRIDAY), the 29th Instant,
at 6 p.m.

The KIU-KLANG resumes her place on
the Line as a DAY-BOAT, leaving Hong-
kong at 8 a.m. TO-MORROW (FRIDAY),
the 29th Instant.

By Order, P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, July 28, 1881. iy30

ARRIVALS.

JULY 28, KWANTUNG, British steamer,
674, M. Young, Foochow July 24, Amoy

25, and Swatow 27, General—DOUGLAS
LAPRAIK & Co.

JULY 28, ALICE, British steamer, 366, H.
Lightwood, Taiwanfu July 26, Sugar—
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

JULY 28, AMAZONE, French steamer, 3315,
de La Marolle, Marseilles June 26, Naples

28, Port Said July 2, Suez 3, Aden 8, Gallo

9, Singapore 21, and Saigon 24, Malacca
and General—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

JULY 28, HARDWICK, British steamer, 715,
C. A. Topp, Shanghai July 22, via Swatow,
General—C. M. S. N. Co.

DEPARTURES.

JULY 28, CHANNEL QUEEN, for Kulang.

28, Agamenon, for Yokohama.

28, Hoi-ching, Chinese gunboat, for
Foochow.

28, Sun-hong, Chinese gunboat, for
Foochow.

28, Star of China, for Iloilo.

28, Saghalien, for Marseilles, &c.

28, Hardwick, for Canton.

28, Diamante, for Manila.

28, Deucalion, for Amoy and Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Marlborough, for Singapore.

Rajah-nathunor, for Bangkok.

Mary, for Tientsin.

Ningo, for Shanghai.

With, for Iloilo.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per KUANGTUNG, from Coast Ports, 2

Sisters of Mercy, Messrs Richardson and

Chong King Hing 2 Europeans (deck),

and 76 Chinese.

Per ARABIA for Hongkong : from Mar-
sailles, Mrs Louann's amah; from St

Dennis McNamee; from Singapore, Mr Lee

Hong Leong; from Saigon, Mr Michelot,

and 52 Chinese.

Per SHANGHAI for Amoy : from Mar-
sailles, Mrs Bucheteir's amah; from Singa-
pore, Mrs and Miss Seng; 1 Malay and
infant; and Tan Soon Moi.

Per KUANGTUNG, for Yokohama : from Mar-
sailles, Mr Schulze's servant, Messrs B. Marmon, Okubo, Kawashima, Mizushima, Akatake, and Iwaga; from Naples, Messrs B. Bogilacino, Osake, and Tomaka; from Galle, Mr J. Whittall.

Per HARDWICK, from Shanghai, 14 Chi-
nese.

DEPARTED.

THE CHINA MAIL.

spectual emendations in telegrams. A telegram came, stating that a explosion had killed an officer of M.S. *Monarch*, off Goliotta, a quarry was used after the last word, and "Gaita" suggested instead. And yet considering Goliotta is the port of Tunis, and that the *Monarch*, an iron screw-turbo ship, armoured, has lately been of Tunis, there was need of an alteration, unless the emendation had something else to go on than his ignorance of geography.

The Suez Canal Company held its annual meeting on June 9th. From the report presented, which proposed a dividend of 21,886 fr. in addition to the fixed interest of 25 fr., we take the following facts, from which we gather that the returns show an increase of nearly 40 per cent. on those of 1879. The directors state that they anticipate from the experience of the present year that there will be a still larger traffic than last year:

The gross receipts have amounted to £4,820,000, and the gross expenditure to £2,841,000, leaving a net profit of £1,079,000. During last year 2,026 ships, with a tonnage of 4,344,19 tons, passed through the canal. From 1870 till then the figures had been as follows:—In 1870, 486 ships and 495,911 tons; in 1871, 768 ships and 761,407 tons; in 1872, 1,002 ships and 1,459,100 tons; in 1873, 1,284 ships and 2,422,672 tons; in 1874, 1,384 ships and 2,940,708 tons; in 1875, 1,437 ships and 3,072,107 tons; in 1876, 1,663 ships and 3,418,940 tons; in 1878, 1,593 ships and 3,201,535 tons; in 1879, 1,477 ships and 3,236,942 tons. The receipts during this period rose from £5,159,000 in 1870, to £23,886,000 in 1875 and £39,480,000 in 1880. Last year 221 ships, with a total tonnage of 353,985 tons, passed through the canal for the first time. Compared with the previous year, this is an increase of 66 ships and 118,371 tons.

FIFTY years ago John Morgan, a Freemason, of Batavia, State of New York, threatened to reveal the secrets of Freemasonry. Some men, wearing masks, entered Morgan's house, carried him away, and he was never seen afterwards. It was reported that the masked brothers had carried him to Niagara and flung him into the river. For a long time the affair caused a great sensation throughout the States, and for more than ten years entered into the politics of the country, two parties being formed, one Masonic, the other anti-Masonic. A general election coming on, the anti-Masons discovered what they alleged to be the body of Morgan, who had been murdered on the shores of Lake Ontario. The Freemasons investigated the matter, and denied the identity of the body. After all these years the mystery of Morgan's disappearance has just come to light. His remains have been found at Batavia, together with the manuscript of his book. The publication of the details of the affair will revive one of the most sensational tragedies that ever took place in the country. The place where the remains of Morgan were found is the little town of Pembroke, eleven miles from Batavia. Workmen were engaged in opening a stone quarry, when they found a skeleton under thick layers of rock. They also found a ring bearing Morgan's initials, and a tobacco box containing a paper which under a microscope was seen to bear the words "Masons," "star," "prison," "kill," &c.

(London & China Express, June 24.)

The P. and O. steamer *Kaisar-i-Hind* sailed from Southampton on the 22nd inst., with a crew of 100, a complement of £147,520, including £73,600 for Peiping, £21,100 for Hongkong, and £28,820 for Shanghai, all in Mexican dollars.

A memorial on the subject of marriage with a deceased wife's sister has been presented to the Prime Minister, asking his assistance in bringing the question before the House of Commons. This memorial was signed by 253 members of Parliament, Conservative and Liberal, representing one-half of the entire electoral body of the United Kingdom. Mr Gladstone, in reply, has expressed his regret that the interest and the embarrassments connected as to time with the Irish Land Bill are too great at present to allow of any promise that the Bill shall be dealt with during the present session.

The following in the text of a resolution of which Mr Labouchere has given notice in the House of Commons:—"That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that an alteration be made in the existing system by which the hereditary branch of the Legislature is enabled to stultify the will of the nation, as expressed by its elected representatives."

Some three hundred members of the United Service Club have given notice in the House of Commons:—"That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that an alteration be made in the existing system by which the hereditary branch of the Legislature is enabled to stultify the will of the nation, as expressed by its elected representatives."

The following appointments are announced: Sir John H. Glover, G.C.M.G., to be Governor of the Louang Islands; Mr. Robinson, C.M.G., to be Governor of the Windward Islands; and Sir H. J. B. Morse, K.C.M.G., to be Governor of Newfoundland.

A Parliamentary paper containing a copy of a memorandum by Mr. C. Atchison, Chief Commissioner of British Burma, on the consumption of opium in that country has been issued.

There has been launched from the Tyne Iron Shipbuilding Company's, Limited, yard an iron screw-steamer, named *The Maru*, built to the order of Mr. W. Buchan Ritchie, of Dundee. She has been built as a "three-decked" vessel to the highest class at Lloyd's for the Indian, China, and Atlantic trades, in 300 feet long, 36 feet beam, and depth 26 feet moulded. She will have two large double-ended boilers, and engines of 250-horse power, by the North-Eastern Engineering Company, Limited. She will be commanded by Captain Alexander Laws, late of the *Lady Kinwart*.

In March, 1879 (say the *Broad Arrow*), a supernumerary lieutenant of the *Iron Duke*, at Hongkong, was tried by court-martial on two charges, the first being of a very grave nature. On this charge he was acquitted, but was convicted on the other, and sentenced to be dismissed from the service with disgrace. The case, together with the evidence and all the proceedings of the court, has lately been submitted to counsel Mr. Hastings Gilford, M.P., and Sir S. Collier, who arrived opinion that the evidence on the first charge was in every respect contradicted every point with a reputation for veracity. The witness, however, had just recently been threatened by the *Old Guard* to be suspended for violence and neglect of duty, and who might possibly have been led to concoct such a charge as a pretext for arresting him; that the court therefore committed the accused on that charge; that was then convicted on the second charge, conduct unbecoming with the strict though written rules of naval discipline; but that no appeal ought to be made to the Admiralty. An appeal based on this emphatic

opinion was accordingly made to the Admiralty to modify this harsh sentence, and we are glad to be able to announce that their lordships have so far concurred with counsel that they have struck out the words "with disgrace."

A report has been made to the Admiralty with regard to the *Syfia*. An order was received to repair and refit her for surveying service in the Far East. When the workmen commenced to overhaul her it was found that her principal timbers were in an advanced state of decay. It is expected the Admiralty will give instructions for her to be broken up.

The trooper *Tyne*, from China, arrived at Sheerness on the 19th inst., from Portsmouth, on her way to Woolwich.

Lieutenant J. E. Gregory, is appointed to the *Kotah* on the China Station, vice Lieutenant Tring.

The two large steamers of the *Mitrovia* class, which Russia possesses, have been increased by the launch of the *Demidov* and *Vladimir Monomach*. These vessels are 200ft. long, 52ft. broad, 21ft. deep, and they displace 5,754 tons. Their engines are of 7,900 indicated horse power. Their hulls are constructed of steel. For protection they are armoured with a belt 1in. thick, and have a central battery 38ft. long for their guns. This battery consists of 12in. plates worked on to 24in. of teak backing. The armament comprises four 6in. guns, two 6in. fired on *babette*, four 4-pounds, and eight mitrailleuses. Some time will elapse before these new vessels will be ready to join the active fleet.

The Portuguese Government has renewed its solicitations to the British Government for a modification of the alcoholic scale in favour of Portuguese wines.

The P. and O. Company's steamer *Brindisi*, which left Southampton on the 15th inst., with passengers and cargo for Bombay, has arrived at Malta with machinery broken down, one of the cylinders being cracked. Arrangements will be made by the company by which no interruption will be occasioned to the Brindisi's passage to that port, night or day, in the southern country, which has attracted so much attention in South America and at the Cape of Good Hope, now sufficiently above the horizon to be visible in the northern part of the heavens all over the United Kingdom.

The degree of Doctor of Divinity, *Jure Dignatus*, has been conferred by the University of Cambridge upon the Right Rev. G. F. Rose, of St. John's, Bishop of the Straits Settlements; also the degree of LL.D. upon Mr. Dairiki Kiruchi, a former student of St. John's College, but now a resident in Tokio. This latter degree was conferred by proxy.

Telegraphic advices from Washington report that at the request of the Chinese Government Lieutenant Manning, of the American Marines, has been granted permission to enter the Chinese naval service, with a view to organising a Chinese corps of Marines.

We regret to hear that a telegram has been received by the Marquis Tseng, the Chinese Minister, reporting the death of his younger and only brother, which occurred at Peking.

Official statistics issued by the United States Government show that 1,400 Chinese emigrants arrived during the month of May.

The Marquis of Huntly has placed his resignation of the post of Captain of the Gentleman-in-Arms in the hands of the manager for falsifying the balance-sheets of that important concern, died on the 17th inst., at the age of eighty-four. He was for nearly half a century a prominent merchant in Glasgow.

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THE CHINA REVIEW.

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THE CHINA REVIEW, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong, half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Technology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago, and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a résumé in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as also those queries which though asking for information, furnish no or unpublisched details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries, as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1875, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best essay on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review. It is a sixty page, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is also worth the price of the Review. Address, *China Review*, Hongkong.—Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.).

A Trumper's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries* on China and Japan, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judiciously numbered now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and its neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great mass of attention that has been paid of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable, and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the magistrates of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now ardently cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *Sh. King*, by the Rev. E. J. Etel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connexion with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Besides notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that *Notes and Queries* are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine.

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